Investigation of Belahal project, Bellary district.

*145 Q.—Mr. A. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state the stage at which the investigation of Belahal project (Hadagalli taluk, Bellary district) is at present and whether there is any part of the scheme which may be straightway placed under execution without detriment to the Tungabhadra West Canal project, or the East Canal project whichever might be decided upon for execution later on?

A.—The detailed investigation of Belahal-Bheemanakeri project has been completed and plans and estimates are under preparation. A considerable part of the ayacut under this project also comes into the ayacut of the Tungabhadra (Thimmalapuram) project and the Bellary West Canal project.

The question whether a part of the Belahal-Bheemanakeri project could be carried out independently of those projects will be examined.

Supply channel to Timmanayani tank from the Chinna Hagari.

*146 Q.—Mr. A. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(1) whether there was ever a proposal before the Government (during Sir Muhammad Habib-ul-lah's time) to improve the Timmanayani tank by taking a channel from the Chinna Hagari;

(2) whether the proposal was investigated and considered almost an ideal one except for the fact that the bed of the tank was suspected to consist of porous soil; and

(3) whether the tank was since observed, after rains and when it had received some supply and whether the bed is found to be really porous or if porous, whether it is such as cannot be rectified by latest engineering devices?

A.—(1) No papers on the subject can be traced in the Secretariat.

(2) & (3) The Government have not the information. They have called for a report.

Ayacut under the spring channel of Rupavagudi and Chagavur villages.

*147 Q.—Mr. A. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state with reference to G.O. No. 2374, Revenue, dated 12th November 1929, the survey numbers or the subdivisions thereof, on which a second crop was not raised in one, two and three and more of the five faslis 1334 to 1338 and the total double crop wet ayacut under the spring channel of Rupavagudi village and Chagavur village respectively?

A.—The Government have not the information. They have called for a report.

Diwan Bahadur M. GOPALASWAMI MUDALIYAR:—"May I ask whether the information will be called for?"

The hon. Mr. A. Y. G. CAMPBELL:—"The Government called for a report on 1st December and a report was received on 10th January, but we have had to call for a further report on account of certain apparent discrepancies."